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## WHAT NOW FOR AJAX?

The men of Ajax are in a quandary.

Having won the Victorian State League championship, should they rest on their considerable laurels, or should they strive for greater things?

They talked at the weekend with the Kelowna City engineer about further improvements to Green Gully Reserve.

A grandstand would be among the new facilities.

But Ajax already has a good ground — as good as most in the State League, and its social club is the envy of all.

What Ajax wants to know is whether there is any hope eventually of getting into the national league, where extra expenditure would be justified.

But with the national league in turmoil, Ajax hasn't been able to get straight answers.

So Ajax continues to wait, and hope and ask questions . . . LAURIE SCHWAB

## Tassie Devils show their teeth

By WALTER PLESS

The arrival in Tasmania late last week of a high-powered, three-man delegation representing the PSL and ASF Marketing Ltd., heralded the beginning of a campaign to enter a Tasmanian team in the national league by next October.

Rik Booth and John Frank, representing ASF Marketing, and Paul Kemp, the PSL Secretary, were in Tasmania to talk to potential sponsors of the proposed team, to be named the 'Tassie Devils'.

At a reception in Hobart on Friday, Tasmanian parliamentarian Gabriel Haros MHA, and Hobart businessman Roy Stoneham, introduced the three visitors to Tasmanian businessmen, soccer officials and representatives of the media.

The Tasmanian Premier, Mr Doug Lowe, has agreed to be patron of the new club. Mr Lowe was represented at the reception by Mr Brian Miller, the State's Attorney-General, Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council, and Minister for Health Services, Immigration and Ethnic Affairs.

Mr Vic Tuting, vice-president of the Australian Soccer Federation was also present.

Rik Booth, executive director of ASF Marketing Limited, outlined the advantages for Tasmania of having a team in the national league. There would be benefits for government, for sponsors, for the soccer public, and for players, both junior and senior.

Every time the team played on the mainland it would be an advertisement for Tasmania and the State's tourism industry would benefit from this.

It is also proposed to enter a Tasmanian youth team in a national youth league. Steve Darby, Tasmania's Director of Coaching, was named as the coach of both the senior and junior teams.

The visiting delegation inspected soccer facilities in Hobart and announced that there were two venues that were more than adequate for national league requirements.

Press coverage of soccer compared favourably on a per capita basis with that in other States, and the level of participation in junior soccer was high and increasing every year.

## Kiwis will meet Vics — and Liverpool to tour in 82

By LAURIE SCHWAB

New Zealand's triumphant World Cup team will play against Victoria at Olympic Park in early November.

The match has been arranged by VSF chairman Michael Weinstein and New Zealand's World Cup director Charlie Dempsey.

The Kiwis want two games as preparation for their second-round World Cup qualifying matches against Saudi Arabia and Kuwait in November-December.

South Australia and New South Wales have been asked to take the second match.

If they decline, Victoria will play against the Kiwis twice.

Meanwhile, Mr Weinstein is negotiating for a tour by mighty English club Liverpool next July or August.

Promoter Paul Dainty, a good friend of Mr Weinstein's, is helping swing the deal.

Victoria's game against New Zealand will be played during the period of the Victorian State League top four competition.

"We had the chance to have New Zealand here earlier in the year, but nobody wanted them because they were our World Cup opponents," Mr

Weinstein said. "I wish we had played them. Then at least we might have seen how to beat them."

"This time it will be a matter of pride. Our boys in the State team think they can beat them. They reckon they can do better than our national team did."

The Kiwis start their second-round games against China in Auckland on September 24.

and David Mitchell were among those who played well.

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Standings:

	W	D	L	GF	GA
New Zealand	9	2	3	31	14
Australia	7	4	2	22	9
Indonesia	8	2	4	54	6
Fiji	8	1	3	4	0.25
Taiwan	7	1	2	5	8

Boca Juniors, the champions, have failed to pay the first instalment for the transfer of Diego Maradona and he will go back to his former club, Argentinos Juniors, next year.

Boca were due to produce the first of four instalments of the equivalent of one million US dollars (about \$80,000 Aust.) on Saturday.

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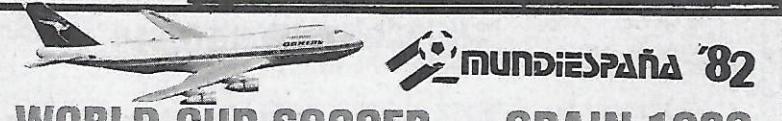
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Victorian Sports Minister Brian Dixon meets Kickaburra at the launching of the 'Kickaburra How To Play Soccer' book, at the South Melbourne Hellas club rooms.

## Risdianto beats the Socceroos

JAKARTA, — Indonesia beat Australia 1-0 in their world cup qualifying game on Sunday after a scoreless first half, raising its standing to number three behind New Zealand and Australia.

A jubilant Indonesian home crowd of 25,000 cheered as striker Risdianto shot the ball past Australian goalkeeper Glen Ahearn in the 88th minute.

Risdianto had dribbled past three Australian players before scoring.

However, the Australian team dominated the second half despite the bumpy field. Peter Raskopoulos, Grant Lee

and David Mitchell were among those who played well.

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## 'The long-term future of soccer in this country will not be influenced by some phoney Australianisation'

Multiculturalism in Australia has acquired a relatively recent status as a dominant ideology.

In general it implies a recognition that Australia is a society of diverse ethnic cultures. Multicultural policies supported by both major political parties recognize that each ethnic group is different, and has a distinctive culture and in most cases language.

Multicultural media and educational structures might suggest wide acceptance for multicultural policies. Multiculturalism in Australia does not, however, have universal appeal.

This paper will consider certain views of multiculturalism, and will suggest that policies of "reverse multiculturalism" being implemented in the sport of soccer will have important implications for any discussion of multiculturalism in Australia.

Much of the credit for the favour in which multiculturalism is held in Australia is probably due to the "high priest" of multiculturalism, Hon. A.J. Grassby, Minister for Immigration in the Whitlam Government from 1972 to 1974.

Grassby's ideal of Australia as a multicultural society is of a family of the nation, a family in which members do not seek to conform by denying their individuality and distinctiveness. In practice such an ideal has come to mean many things to many writers. No clear consensus has emerged as to the meaning of or future prospects for Australian multiculturalism.

Nevertheless its proponents generally view multiculturalism from certain similar perspectives. Multiculturalists see migrant "assimilation," the generally held dogma of the 1950s as unrealistic or unnatural.

They also recognise that while migrants have become part of our Australian culture they have brought with them their own culture, at least part of which they should retain and pass on to their children.

The Fraser Liberal Government, with its acceptance of the Galbally Report (Migrant Services and Programs) and its introduction of multicultural television clearly accepts for whatever reasons the broad principles of multiculturalism.

So too does the Australian Labor Party. Many see this acceptance deriving from recognition that different ethnic minorities have the right to retain their ethnic cultural identity if they so wish.

Such a recognition is not, however, universally held. Opponents of multiculturalism, including among their numbers L. Chipman in "The Menace of Multiculturalism" (Quadrant, Oct. 3-6) and in "Beware The Cauldron" (Bulletin, March) F. Knopfelmacher have not of been successful in changing government policies.

The ideals of Lachlan Chipman and Frank Knopfelmacher are, however, being given practical application by one of Australia's larger sports.

The multiculturalism of both major political parties and Mr. A.J. Grassby is receiving some of its strongest opposition from the controlling bodies of Australian soccer.

Australian soccer administrators, intent on an "Australianisation" of the sport, are embarking on a policy of "reverse multiculturalism."

This policy implies a reversion to "assimilationist" doctrine preached in the past, that soccer ought to be cleansed and purified of its "foreign" element and adopt a genuine "Aussie" face.

In other words the sport ought to be integrated into some greater Anglo-Celtic Australiana.

The contentious drive against the ethnic image of soccer was discussed at the 23rd annual conference of the Australian Political Studies Association on Saturday. It was the subject of a paper delivered by LYLE ALLAN of the Footscray Technical College. The paper was titled "Ethnic and Race Politics — Reverse Multiculturalism and the politics of soccer." The paper, delivered at University House, Canberra, is reprinted below:

The policy of reverse multiculturalism is most obviously manifested in the abolition of ethnic team names by the Philips Soccer League, Australia's national competition since 1977. Reverse multiculturalism in practice represents a substantial rejection of Australian soccer's ethnic heritage.

The ethnic heritage of Australian soccer is a product of the post-World War II wave of European immigration.

Mass-soccer, the game of a mass spectatorship, received its impetus from this immigration. Team names which identify the country of origin of team's promoters are a traditional part of Australian soccer. Names such as George Cross (Malta), Juventus (Italy), J.U.S.T. (Yugoslav United Soccer Team) and Hellas (Greece) are well known not only in this country but also overseas largely owing to the use of Australian soccer results for gambling purposes (in soccer pools) during the United Kingdom "off-season."

Ethnic names act as a reference point for club committees, players and spectators. The majority of spectators in many clubs have an attachment to the original ethnic name, and would probably prefer that the original name of their club was not changed. Soccer administrators believe, nevertheless, that good reasons exist for the use of "non-ethnic" team names.

Team name changes in the past have been motivated by economic reasons, such as a desire to obtain a loan from a local council, or by a desire among a club committee that the club ought to attract general rather than "ethnic" support from a particular district.

J.U.S.T., for example, became Footscray-J.U.S.T. in the early 1970's after receiving a loan of \$100,000 from Footscray Council to improve ground facilities.

Wilhelmina sought local support by changing its name to Ringwood City.

Changes in team names in the past have not resulted from reverse multiculturalism. The addition of a local name to an ethnic name does nothing to detract from a club's ethnic character. The addition of a local name in some cases, and certainly was in the case of Footscray-J.U.S.T., be a partial accommodation to the assimilationist views of local councillors, but the clubs concerned are still likely to retain an ethnic nature.

Changes from ethnic or district-ethnic to a wholly district name, as in the case of Wilhelmina, have generally resulted from changes in the character of club membership combined with a weak ethnic tradition. Such changes in the character of club membership have been rare.

Individual clubs in the past have been responsible themselves for the character of their own team name.

This is not now the case in the Philips League. Particular clubs are required to adopt a "non-ethnic" name. Many of the traditional club names have as a con-

sequence been discarded. Makedonia, Hellas and Alexander still exist in the minds and mouths of their supporters, but they are no longer official names. Rams, Eagles, Leopards, Warriors, Wolves and Gunners are the preferred names of Australia soccer.

The former justifications used for team name changes by individual clubs are now being advanced by the Philips League.

Economic considerations are, however, the main stated reason for the abolition of ethnic names, with sponsorship the key factor.

National competition involves expensive air travel with competing clubs in Queensland, New South Wales, South Australia, Victoria and the Australian Capital Territory.

The use of "non-ethnic" team names, it is argued, is more likely to attract sponsorships from large companies, thereby making national competition economically viable.

The problem of sponsorship looms as a vital factor for the future of national competition.

Philips League officials believe ethnic names scare away big sponsors. With a new image soccer may attract a new band of followers, thereby increasing "exposure" for a sponsor's products to a much larger number of soccer supporters.

The majority of members of the Philips League committee of management, acting on the recommendations of their marketing advisors, Australian Soccer Federation (ASF) Marketing Ltd., believe team name changes will result in a new and better image for soccer.

John Clark, marketing and promotions manager for ASF Marketing, says the image change will appeal to boys "not following in their fathers' footsteps, boys now into space invaders, Buck Rogers in the 25th Century, who aren't following soccer."

Jim Mangopoulos, former president of Heidelberg Warriors (Alexander) and a member of the Philips League Committee of Management, believes the use of names such as Hawks, Leopards and Gladiators will make soccer more attractive to Anglo-Celtic Australians.

In the short term "non-ethnic" names may be attractive to sponsors, but their future success in terms of attracting wider support for Australian soccer is questionable.

Opposition to a change in team names is widespread among the committees of individual clubs and by some sections of the print media.

Even some Philips League clubs would prefer to retain an ethnic name. The President of South Melbourne Gunners (Hellas), Sam Papasavvas has a concern for the long term supporters of his club.

He argues "by eradicating the ethnicity of the sport

you are eradicating the people who have been following soccer for the past thirty years."

In the print media some publications, including the Melbourne "Age" continue to refer to Philips League clubs by their former ethnic names. Sales of the weekly newspaper "Soccer Action" have been banned at Philips League matches because the paper refuses to acknowledge the new team names.

The reaction of certain sections of the print media in referring to the former names of Philips League clubs probably reflects the attitude of the bulk of loyal supporters.

Attempts by the Philips League to prevent the use of ethnic names are doomed to failure, certainly among supporters who retain a strong of ethnic identification with their club.

The concern with sponsorship in the Philips League is primarily a concern with the short term. The long term concern of Philips League administrators is with certain implications of multiculturalism. Such concern is not altogether surprising, despite the fact that the majority of these administrators have a non-Anglo-Celtic background.

Many of the second generation products of post-World War II European immigration grew up in Australian when assimilationist sentiments were strong.

Assimilationist sentiments often influence the actions of this second generation, who frequently wish to downplay their ethnic background. Some of the strongest reverse multiculturalists all that does not conform to some set of Anglo-Celtic-Australian values may very likely be bad.

Chipmanism, that form of reverse multiculturalism articulated by the Wollongong Philosophy Professor, is finding positive support in soccer board rooms. Philips League administrators are most in agreement with Chipman's denigration of "hard" multiculturalism, so described as the preservation of "ethnic integrity."

"The reinforcement and imposition on the newborn of sets of traditions, beliefs, and values which include, as well as those which are noble and enlightened, some which are at least as inhuman, as grotesquely ignorant, and as racist, as sexist, and as bigoted as any that can be squeezed from even the most appalling of ockers."

The reality of soccer is very different. The "hard" form of multiculturalism perceived by the assimilationist advocates of Chipmanism is difficult to take seriously.

Australian soccer clubs with the strongest non-Anglo-Celtic ethnic traditions recognise the need at least some accommodation with Australian values. Identification with a particular locality, recruitment of players from diverse ethnic backgrounds, even the use of ethnic names, are seen as necessary to suggest some adaptation by strong ethnic clubs to Australian culture. In turn Anglo-Celtic Australians support "ethnic" clubs, and are generally welcomed by these clubs. They are, however, small in number.

Some adaptation to Australian culture does not involve their committees and a large number of supporters from similar ethnic backgrounds.

The long term future of soccer in this country will not be influenced by some phoney Australianisation. An exclusive concern with attracting the support of Anglo-Celtic Australians will not result in greater spectator interest. Interest in Australian soccer in the past has been to a great extent the result of the ethnic factor. In creating variety and distinctiveness for the sport ethnicity is likely to be a continuing element in the success of Australian soccer.

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# EVANS, ST GEORGE SHOW THE WAY

Several months ago, after watching a rather lacklustre South Melbourne Hellas draw with Blacktown City, I pointed out how important experienced striker Alan Evans is to the team.

At the time I mentioned that it could be fatal for Hellas if he were ever injured for an extended spell.

Poor recent results when he was out through suspension and short term injuries, indicate how important he remains to the Melbourne club.

The signing of Steve Woodin took some of the weight from captain Evans's shoulders, but he remains the class player in a team of outstanding individuals.

Evans, along with Brisbane's Jim Hermiston, are the only players of true, top international pedigree operating in the Phillips League now that star players like Jim Fosman and Mike Channon are gone.

Evans is the complete all-rounder player possessed of good vision, excellent receiving and passing skills and very competent finishing with head or foot.

He shields the ball well and turns with it in the Kenny Dalglish mould.

He also is able to play in tight situations, unlike many top English strikers, including Channon and Fosman who need a lot of space when working the ball.



**Mike Johnson**

was a podgy half a stone overweight.

Along with overweight John Stevenson, another fine talent, Evans would have even more impact if he were faster.

Hellas plays a slowish inter-passing build-up which hides the lack of mobility of Stevenson and Evans, but the fact is neither player is the athlete he needs to give maximum performance.

It might be all right to point to Ferenc Puskas as an example of an overweight player who left soccer "athletes" for dead.

However, he is the only star player in my memory who was significantly overweight.

Pete Mathews and Di Stefano, the three greats whom I most admired, were all superbly skilled athletes.

Nevertheless, Alan Evans' skills are an adornment to our game and at 30 he is probably playing at the peak of the best years of his career.

Certainly Hellas, despite their playing depth cannot afford to have him off the field.

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My two young children had been pestering me for months to take them to see a big time Rugby League game, so I took them to see Eastern Suburbs play South Sydney at the Sportsground.

It was the first professional game of Rugby League either

of them been to though of course they had seen numerous games on television.

We did not stay to see the final score. Look before the end my children were asking me to go home so that they could see the "International Soccer" on channel 7/28.

They did not like the game. Neither did I and if this was a sample of what League has to offer then soccer does have a future in cities such as Wollongong, Brisbane, Newcastle and Sydney where League currently dominates.

League seldom raises the heartbeat, mainly because of a lack of continuity, caused by all those scrums, penalties, kicks at goal and players continually going to ground with the ball.

This is where a good game of soccer has a definite edge.

Soccer is a free-flowing game, which if there is a good referee in charge can flow from end to end for minutes at a time.

I really do believe that the ASFA and the referee associations should get together to draw up a formula which would help keep our games flowing as they do in South America, where the referees are nowhere near as pedantic as we are when it comes to allowing quick free kicks to be taken — especially in midfield.

I am quite convinced now that the referee, more than even a coach or player, has the greatest influence on the quality of a game of soccer.

Depending on his ability, especially his confidence to let the game flow, a referee can "run" or "make" a game.



**Alun Evans in an aerial duel with Marconi goalkeeper Allan Maher.**

Some of our worst whistlers have turned our soccer games into a copy of a saccato Rugby League.

Aussie Rules, with all action end to end play appears to be a much more attractive spectator sport than League and will be much harder to lose.

In Melbourne, Adelaide and the other places it is played.

However, it does appear to be a very repetitive game, without the variety of a good game of soccer.

Which begs the question — what is a good game of soccer?

A good game of soccer to a Pole, Hungarian or Czech living in Australia is cultured midfield build-ups with composed short passing.

To the many South American players living here a good game features lots of slight of foot and fast dribbling.

To the British migrant a good game is aggression around the vicinity of the ball and lots of shots at goal.

So what is a good game to the young Australian — whether he be born of Latin, Slavic or Anglo Saxon parents?

I believe it embraces a combination of all three of the aforementioned qualities.

Australia is an aggressive, competitive society and it plays its sport the same way, whether it be cricket, tennis, basketball, golf or football.

Certainly the Australian, and everyone new Australia, of ethnic background, find it hard to keep up with the slow build-ups which are a feature of some countries and which Heidelberg has used with some success.

While in South America the crowds will yell delighted "Ole's" after each midfield pass, the influence of British televised games has effected our spectators and they also like to see the ball in or around the penalty area.

The crowd will tolerate the short interpassing build-ups if they perceive short passes but will not have patience with midfield passing that does not progress fairly quickly forward.

The dribbler is frowned on by Australian born spectators for being a "ball hog".

I think the mass of Australian spectators would like to see a dynamic, physical game

Given that it certainly will eventually be a match for Rugby League, irrespective of that code's current media support, and it will win its share of spectators in the Aussie Rules belt.

I am totally against dividing the national league at this time.

## Brennan the key

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Blacktown and Footscray JUST meet at Gabble Stadium on Sunday and I'm going for a draw.

Zdravko Lujic has the blistering acceleration required to foil Blacktown's offside trap but JUST may play defensively as it is custom away from home.

I wonder where Blacktown coach Raleasic will play the talented Jovan Djordjevic?

Jugoslav import has played in all three lines for the Demons — attack, midfield and defence — since arriving this year.

Perhaps that's a measure of Djordjevic's ability and value as well as Blacktown's lack of depth.

Unfortunately another of Blacktown's Yugoslav imports, Branislav Krstic, hasn't set the PSL world on fire but Basic will be looking to him to aid Paul Burrows' attempts to find a way past JUST defenders Jim Milne, Kyri Kiriakoules, Jim Kadonis and Igor Hazebert.

Once the hurdle is overcome the Blacktown players then have to contend with the agility and reflexes of JUST keeper Dennis Boland, certainly one of the PSL's best yet strangely overlooked at representative level.

Newcastle will find Heidelberg's defensive organisation a handful at the International Sports Centre on Sunday.

The home side may have to settle for a point but KB caretaker coach Ray Baartz will be looking to Bob Mountford and David Kamasz, serviced by winger Graham Heys, to win both points.

Heidelberg could rely upon Charlie Yankovic to take care of Heys while Bob Proctor and Mountford do the air.

APIA and Sydney Olympic promise plenty of goalmouth thrills when they let Lamport Park on Sunday.

Both sides are committed to going forward. Olympic will line up with its usual midfield duo of Peter Raskopoulos and Peter Katholos in a 4-4-4 formation.

That 4-4-4 formation has puzzled me for some time. It was a Tommy Docherty decision but I wonder just how much of this much vaunted attacking system is reality and how much is propaganda.

Just watch how deep Graham Jennings comes before marking up your minds. Then look across Olympic's right flank and watch Jimmy Redfern follow the opposing full back down the ground when he over-laps.

Well, 4-4-4 sounds good. Olympic's crowds are good and certainly the young Olympic side has the capacity to entertain.

Entertainment is the keynote here. If it's accompanied by goals the Lambert Park spectators will get great value for money. I can't split these sides and I'm not going to try.

I expect Brisbane City to beat Adelaide City at Spencer Park on Sunday.

The City side surprised me this season. To be honest I didn't think it could feasibly aspire to such a high ranking in the league. But I was wrong and I expect Adelaide City too will find out how good the locals can play.

Brisbane Lions shouldn't have to make the long trip down to West Adelaide's Hindmarsh in vain.

Lions' coach Joe Gilroy should come away from South Australia with a couple of points to add to credit.

The most interesting revolving around this match centres upon "Soccer Action's" — JAT Player of the Year award.

I can't see West breaking through the Lions defence but Calvin Daunt, Billy Williamson and young Craig Low should give the West back four little return for their last ditch efforts.

It's a draw weekend as far I'm concerned. I've selected Wollongong and Marconi to draw, my fifth draw selection from eight games. They meet at the Wollongong Showgrounds on Sunday and I expect a drawn struggle to end on an even keel.

IN MELBOURNE

**SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS v CANBERRA AT MIDDLE PARK, SUNDAY, 3 PM.**

Previous results: 1977 — SMH 2-0, 1-1. 1978 — SMH 3-0, 0-0. 1979 — Canb 3-2, 1-1. 1980 — SMH 1-0, 0-0. 1981 — 2-2. Advantage Hellas 3 wins, 5 draws, 1 loss. Goals: 14-7.

**PRESTON MAKEDONIA v SYDNEY CITY (DRAW) AT CONNOR RESERVE, SUNDAY, 3 PM.**

Previous results: 1981 — SC 2-0.

IN SYDNEY

**BLACKTOWN v FOOTSCRAY JUST (DRAW) AT GABBLE STADIUM, SUNDAY, 3 PM.**

Previous results: 1980 — Black 3-0, JUST 3-0. 1981 — JUST 2-0.

**APIA LEICHARDT v SYDNEY OLYMPIC (DRAW) AT LAMBERT PARK, SUNDAY, 3 PM.**

Previous results: 1979 — APIA 2-0, SO 2-0. 1981 — API 3-1.

IN BRISBANE

**BRISBANE CITY v ADELAIDE CITY (DRAW) AT SPENCER PARK, SATURDAY, 2.30 PM.**

Previous results: 1977 — BC 2-1, 1-0. 1978 — AC 3-2, BC 2-1. 1979 — BC 4-2, 2-1. 1980 — AC 2-1, 0-0. 1981 — AC 1-0. Advantage Brisbane City 5 wins, 1 draw, 3 losses. Goals: 14-11.

IN ADELAIDE

**WEST ADELAIDE v BRISBANE LIONS (DRAW) AT HINDMARSH STADIUM, SUNDAY, 2.30 PM.**

Previous results: 1977 — WA 5-1, 4-1. 1978 — WA 3-0, Lions 1-0. 1979 — WA 3-2, 1-0. 1980 — Lions 2-1, 1-1. 1981 — Lions 3-1. Advantage Brisbane 5 wins, 1 draw, 3 losses. Goals: 19-11.

IN WOLLONGONG

**WOLLONGONG v MARCONI (DRAW) AT WOLLONGONG SHOWGROUNDS, SUNDAY, 3 PM.**

Previous results: 1981 — 1-1.

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## Stoddart sparks Melita

The late inclusion of veteran midfielder John Stoddart proved a master stroke as Melita edged to a 1-0 win over Polonia in their NSW State League semi-final at Sydney Sports Ground.

Before a crowd of 2,369 Stoddart showed his skill in a tight match and it was from his corner kick the lone goal was scored.

The goal was well taken.

Argentine forward Hector Martinez brilliantly flicked the ball from the near post across the goal to striker Don Allan, who slammed it home from ten metres.

The goal came just four minutes from the end and Polonia were always in with a good chance of scoring.

Melita was much more dominant in the second period however, after an even first half.

Polonia used sharp counter-attacks to break through the Melita defence and relied heavily on the fast running of forward Anto Budini and Graham Souter.

Melita always looked dangerous when coming forward, with Stoddart and Martinez pleasing the crowd. The match could have been sewn up within the first five minutes, but Polonia players Anto Budini and Ben Divani both wasted chances to score.

Twice Polonia's defence had to clear the ball off its goal line with the keeper beaten.

The first was in the 21st minute when Greg McCoy shot from close in for Melita. The second was in the sixth minute of the second half, when sweeper Tony Galas cleared the ball after Terry Jones had shot for Melita with the goal keeper stranded. Melita now will play the winner of next week's Croatia — St George semi-final in a fortnight's time in the preliminary final. RELEGATION PLAY-OFF: NORTH SYDNEY 2 (Wilson, Morsello) PARRAMATTA 0 at Posts Park. Crowd: 369.



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Semi-final: MELITA 1 (Alilan) POLONIA 0 at Sydney Sports Ground. Crowd: 268.

Second grade: MANLY 2 (Shane Kelly, Steve D'Addio, Matt McConnachie). Third grade: BANKSTOWN 2 (Butt, Waugh) RIVERWOOD 0.

## Juventus in final

RAPID-WREST POINT 0 JUVENTUS-PIONEER 1 (Brine 11th), Tasmanian Ampol Cup semi-final. Att: 1000 HT: 0-1 Ref: T. Kelly.

RAPID: Kannegeiser (Brine, Stewart, Nahm, Wilson, Wilson, Young, S. Southworth, Schneid (Fletcher), Oakes (Thompson), Mehring.

JUVENTUS: Jones-Burton, Lapaille, D. Martin, derka-Bacon, Young, Schorl, Di Felice (Newell, Brine, Ward).

This was a fine game, highlighted by the performance of Juve's young stars Brine and Ward. These two gave a masterly display and it was no surprise when, in the 11th minute, Ward rose to a free kick driven high and deep into the Rapid penalty area by Darko to back-head the ball to Brine who ran onto it to score with a low shot from 8 metres.

Ward's awesome shooting power was seen in three superb free kicks, the second

of which was brilliantly saved by P. Kannegeiser.

Rapid had all much of the play as Juventus but never really tested Jones. Lapaille and Di Martin cleared their lines easily while Brine and Ward chased, harassed and created space in a display that exemplified the role of twin strikers. Rapid realised they were in trouble early when Schmid made way for Fletcher 10 minutes before the interval. When the injured Oakes left the field midway through the second half, both sides were 0-0. Shortly afterwards, Ward put Brine through but his power-packed drive cannoned off a post with Kannegeiser still waiting for the shot. Brine and Ward made things happen, Rapid's supporters watched things happen; it was the Rapid players who, in the end, wondered what had happened! — WALTER PLESS

## APIA wins title

APIA-Leichhardt won the Philips Youth League championship by beating Marconi 2-1 on Sunday.

And Paul Scheinflug, son of national coach Les Scheinflug, skipped clear as league top scorer by notching four in Marconi's mid-week 7-0 victory over Blacktown.

Results:

Marconi 7 (Scheinflug 4, Tomash 2, Morsoh, Swain) Blacktown 0.

Wollongong 5 (O'Donnell, Campbell, Thompson 3) Canberra 3 (Ridley, Williams, Kringle).

Sydney Olympic 2 (Ankundi-

noff, Cotton) Newcastle 3 (Storer, Kerby, Green).

APIA-Leichhardt 2 (McKie, Savidis) Marconi 1 (Johnston).

Top scorers:

APIA: Scheinflug (Marc) 19, McLaughlin 18, Stamp (Newell), Wright (AIS) 13, Lee (SC), O'Donnell (SO) 12, Fletcher 10, Bradley, DeCeglie (APIA), Thompson (Woll.).

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# Mob storms pitch, Topaz sent off

**Adel. City 2  
West Adel. 1**

By FRANK PANAGALLO

**Scorers:** J. Nyskohous, Melita (AC), Smythe (WA). **Ground:** Olympic Sports Field. **Crowd:** 3000. **Referee:** Stuart Mellings (Vic) 7.

**ADELAIDE CITY:** Przybylski 7, B. Nyskohous 7, Rossell 8, Jones 7, Perin 6, Marocchi 6, Dods 8, Signore 7 (Rankine), J. Nyskohous 7, Northcote 8.

**WEST ADELAIDE:** Crook 8, McGregor 7, Maricic 7, Topaz 8, Forde 6, Honeyman 8, Brown 6, Manocas 6, Wright 6, Smythe 7, Kowalski (Lorenzoni) 6.

**Cautions:** Maricic (WA). **Red Card:** Topaz (WA).

More than not, local derbies since 1977 have been tinged with controversy.

Even though little was at stake for both sides — except for the proverbial prestige — controversy and the emotional crowd reaction that goes with it once more struck a discord.

Midway through the second half Wests' Shraga Topaz received his marching orders after a crude and late tackle on City's Brian Northcote, who had never been warmly received by Wests' fans.

An angry mob stormed the pitch and exploded play for eight minutes before order could be restored by officials and police.

Wests had been trailing 2-1 at that stage and were playing well enough to suggest a draw was at least possible.

But its chances of pulling it off with the addition of Topaz and City regained the poise it displayed so efficiently in its mid-field-sided first half.

With veteran John Perin playing as attacking libero, City tore holes in Wests' ragged defence which may have considered itself lucky to concede only two goals to half time.

Once more it was Crook between the posts who stood between a respectable scoreline and humiliation.

City's dominance perhaps emphasised its reliance on an

in-form John Perin to dictate the play. When he did so in the first half, his midfielders responded but when he became a more defensive sweeper's role in the second, Marocchi and Melita, two particular apes, began looking in ideas.

Wests discarded its beaten appearance minutes into the second half when exuberant substitute Aldo Lorenzoni breathed new life into the attack.

Lorenzoni had the City defence scampering to make ground in the 50th minute when he swept into the box and passed to unmarked Vic Smythe to ram home from the edge of the area.

Honeyman suddenly became dominant in midfield and

**MATCH RATING:**

7

Wests weren't without a chance of equalising. Lorenzoni swept into the box but his shot sliced across goal.

Had it been on target City would have been left reeling.

Any hope was shattered in the 71st minute when Topaz cut down Northcote with a crude and belated tackle that justified a red card.

With the extra player, City once more called the shots and within 10 minutes saw a chance by Melita and after within an instant minutes by Signore bring on goal.

Wests capitulation was surprising as one would have expected them to employ tactics of containment similar to

those that ousted City from the Philips Cup a month ago.

City relished the space allowed them and used their more superior technical skills to maximum effect.

**Shraga Topaz**

## GIBSON'S GOAL THE ONLY HIGHLIGHT

**Canberra 2  
Wollongong 0**

**Scorers:** Valeri, pen. Gibson.

**CANBERRA:** Hoszowski 7, J. O'Shea 7, Moutopoulos 8, M. O'Shea 7; Massa 7, Byrne 8, Cole 8, R. O'Shea 7; Maclean 7, Valeri 7, Gibson, 60th 7, 72nd 8.

**WOLLONGONG:** Vardareff 7, Willis 8, Dunleavy 7, Ainsworth 7, Adam 7, Fontana 7, Fleming 7, Twardz 7 (Moran 33rd 7 who was then replaced by Campbell 67th 7), Letham 7, Tredinnick 8, McBreen 7.

**Cautions:** Gibson 7, Peter Windsor.

**MATCH RATING:**

6

Willis' cross on the deck almost found young forward Gord Fontana but Fontana, under pressure, missed by a whisker and the ball ran harmlessly across the face of the goal before being cleared.

Canberra breathed a sigh of relief and went into the dressing room at half-time leading 1-0.

Until the clincher just eight minutes from the final whistle the second half was different story. Far too many of Canberra's players lacked real commitment and determination.

It could have cost them the game against a side with greater attacking flair and penetration.

That it didn't still doesn't detract from Wollongong's spirited second half fightback. Peter Tredinnick up front ran his heart out and in defence Willis and Chris Dunleavy toiled unceasingly.

Quite rightly Wollongong's Ken Morton felt his side deserved to have shared the points — but then agreed that the side needed extra strength up front.

"Had we had it today the result would have been much different," he said.

Even Canberra's coach George Murray agreed. "Yes it was perhaps one of Canberra's worst performances of the year," Murray said.

"But it is after all goals that count and we got them today."

"And the winner was worth the price of admittance to see it," he added.

That, also, was true.

It was a superb combination between English imports Ian Purdie and Ian Gibson that set it up.

Long-legged Dutchman John

Massa found Purdie with a pass and Purdie then neatly body-swept past a defender to sight. Gibson took 10 or 15 metres in front.

Immediately Purdie chipped the ball over the head of the defence. It was struck with great precision and Gibson, not the speediest of forwards, managed to catch it that split-second before Wollongong's goalkeeper Natch Vardareff who had quickly seen the danger.

Gibson stabbed the ball past Vardareff's outstretched fingers and then just managed to regather it before it crossed the line and squeeze inside of the post.

Canberra rejoiced. Wollongong went away disappointed.

And unfortunately, from a fan's point of view, it was a scrappy, mediocre game. But Canberra won and as they have to face South Melbourne Gunners in Melbourne this weekend they really needed both points.

## Junior of the week

The Soccer Action Buffalo Sports Junior of the Week is PAVO BUNGUR, 12 (pictured).

Pavo is in his second year with Parkmore "Hajduk."

He started to play in the under 12 team last year, and his best position is right wing.

One day he hopes to play for Croatia Essendon.

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# Lucchese strikes in 3rd minute

MATCH RATING: 7

**Makedonia 2  
Brisb. City 1**

Goals: Mak: Lucchesi 3rd, Ollerton 37th; BC: Hamilton 83rd.

Ground — Spencer Park. Weather — fine. Crowd about 2500.

Referee — C. Amos 8. Caution — Gaffney (BC), Farrell (pl).

CITY — Wishart 6, Vincenzino 5 (Parry 45th), J. Dunn 6, Hartnett 1, W. Wilkinson 7, Pindar 6, Gaffney 7, Hamilton 7, Connor 8, P. Wilkinson 6, Kelso 6.

**MAKEDONIA** — Wilson 8, Rainey 7, Petrovski 6, McMillan 7, Beach 7, Boyle 6 (McFer 64th); Ollerton 7, Whittle 6.



Bruce Waddell

It took only three minutes for the first goal to come with the consistent Claude Lucchesi finishing off a good through ball from Isaac Farrell.

Lucchesi was also involved in the second goal, cutting a ball back perfectly from the by-line to enable Peter Ollerton to head in unchallenged from the six yard line.

He certainly had a strong first half, but did not cause a great deal of trouble to City's three man defence early in the second, possibly why Ollerton replaced him with Gordon Flavel.

City pounded away at the Makedonia defence for the first 15 minutes after halftime and it was here that they should have pulled the game out of the fire.

City waited until the 83rd minute to break through, with Bobby Hamilton successful, but by then it was far too late.

Makedonia of course have been producing a powerful finish to the season and are a better all round side than their positions would indicate.

## The end for Blacktown

MATCH RATING: 6

**Heidelberg 3  
Blacktown 1**

Scorers: H'berg: Yankos 13th, Semolidis 17th, Cole 82nd; Blacktown: Rasmussen 79th.

Venue: Olympic Park.

Crowd: About 2000.

Referee: Barry Harwood 7.

Captains: Yzendoorn (H), Rasmussen (B).

**HEIDELBERG**: Olver 6 — McMillan 7, Yzendoorn 7, Provan 7, Yankos 8 — Selamidis 7, Taylor 6, Rooney 6 (Campbell 68th) — Cole 7, Paton 6, Bozikas 6.

**BLACKTOWN**: Hoare 6 — Rasmussen 7, Milovanovic 6, Pointer 6, Selvage 6 — Culina 5 (Cuk 6 half time), Horaszak 7, Krstic 6, O'Donnell 8 — Jones 7, Burrows 7.

Gary O'Donnell came joint top scorer in the national league and Blacktown's relegation was confirmed.

Although it lost decisively, Blacktown was the more energetic and more entertaining team, especially in the second half when the players gave all they had in a determined effort to fight back.

When Tony Rasmussen scored to make it 2-1 in the 79th minute, Blacktown appeared capable of perhaps snatching a draw, but Gary Cole put an end to that like-likelihood with his 13th goal of the season.



Laurie Schwab

Of course Heidelberg didn't have to force the issue, as it held a 2-0 lead by half-time.

The first goal came from a spectacular 35-metre shot by Charlie Yankos. It must have been the hardest shot of the season, and it left Barry Hoare blinking in disbelief.

Blacktown lost concentration and it took only another four minutes for Heidelberg to go further ahead.

Yankos crossed perfectly from the left and Theo Selamidis rose high above Hoare to head the goal.

Hoare was standing in for Bruce James who was out with the flu. Also missing were Jovan Djordjevic (injured) and Robert Wheatey who was in India with the national team.

Rasmussen made Heidelberg pay for its misses by scoring in the 79th minute after Peter Cuk had flicked the ball down with his head but Cole finally earned a change of luck with eight minutes to go.

Andy Bozikas played the ball through to Paton who ran onto it from just inside his own half. Paton slipped it low into Cole's path and Cole put it away.

## SAD MARCONI!

MATCH RATING: 8

**Marconi 0  
APIA 2**



Ted Smithies

Scorers: Super 2. Ground: Marconi Stadium. Crowd: 5,325.

Referee: Tim Davies 8.

**MARCONI**: Maher 7 — Brogan 7, Mariani 7, Prskalo 6, Degney 6 — Tomasic 7, Byrne 8, Jankovics 8 — Sharne 6, Krcevic 6, Hunter 6 (in John 20th), Giampolo 7.

Marconi continued their slump further down the table when they were beaten 2-0 by arch rival APIA at Marconi stadium.

Despite having a glut of the ball Marconi took a sad side as they squandered every chance they had through bad finishing.

They could have had a flying start when in the ninth minute they were awarded a penalty.

However, Gary Byrne shot straight into Greg Woodward's hands who did well to save.

Defender Colin McAusland who had a good game for APIA, engineered both his team's goals.

Turning the defence into attack in the 23rd minute he lobbed a high pass into a crowded goal mouth.

John Bradley headed the ball down for Marshall Soper to finish off from about six metres.

APIA struck again in the 74th minute to make the result safe.

McAusland sent a low pass in the middle which hit Marconi defender Tomasic before going to Soper who made no mistake from 15 metres.

## TACTICS COULD HAVE WON IT

MATCH RATING:

8

**Syd City 1  
SM-Hellas 1**

Scorers — Steve Woodin 46th, Ian Souness 65th. Venue — Sydney Athletic Field. Conditions — good. Crowd: 4217.

Referee — D. Nugent 7.

**SYDNEY CITY**: Clarke 8, Mulren 8, O'Connor 8, Robertson 7, Cant 8, Spanos 8, Souness 8, Barnes 7, Watson 9, Kosmouski 7, Boddy 7.

**SM-HELLAS**: Laumers 7, Bannon 8, Xanthopoulos 8, Lutton 7, Rogers 7, Stevenson 8, Shirra 8, Buylevic 9, Woodin 8, Evans 7, Campbell 7 (Cummins 75th).

Sydney City Hakaah is just one point away from the 1981 PSL title with two matches left to play.

But really, had the Slickers been able to change their tactics during this game the

**Stamp gets a draw**



Roger Sherack

MATCH RATING:

8

**Syd. Olympic 1  
Newcastle 1**

Scorers: K. Wilson (SO), Stamp (N).

Ground: Pratten Park.

Crowd: 5,155.

Referee: Tom Bostock 7.

**SYDNEY OLYMPIC**: C. Meier 7,

6, Zitas 6, K. Wilson 7, Scott 8

Cross 6, Katholos 7 — Redfern 7, Gavin 7, Laing 6, Jennings 7.

**NEWCASTLE**: Dando 7 —

Reaney 7, Drinkwater 7,

Mason 8, Endacott 7 (McClelland 7, Senkalski 8, Jones 7 — Kamasz 7, Mountford 7 (in Hey 70th), Stamp 8).

Newcastle striker: Alfie Stamp, scored with clinical precision three minutes from full time to carry his team to a 1-1 draw but Olympic had the better of a 90 minute thriller.

**Henderson sent off**

MATCH RATING:

7

**Marconi 0  
Blacktown 1**

Scorer: O'Donnell.

Venue: Marconi Stadium.

Wednesday night.

**MARCONI**: Corry 6 — Brogan 6, Henderson (sent off 28th), Mariani 6, Degney 6 —

Byrne 7, Housseini 7, Jankovics 8 — Sharne 6, Krcevic 7, Hunter 6.

**BLACKTOWN**: James 9 —

Rasmussen 6, Pointer 7, Mi-

lovanovic 8, Selvage 7 — O'

Donnell 7, Hornsby 7, Culina 8 — Tarn 6, Jones 6,

half time), Krstic 6, Bozikas 8.

Marconi's chances of winning this game faded when Tony Henderson was sent off after 28 minutes over a clash with Branko Culina.

However, even with 10 men, Marconi brought some fine saves from Bruce James, who had an excellent match.

— KNUT WERNER

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• Heidelberg's John Yzendoorn surges past Blacktown's Brian O'Donnell (left) and Ricci Hormezabal clear. Picture by LES SHORROCK

PRAISE BEFORE THE KILL!

MATCH RATING:

7

**Foots JUST 2  
Brisb Lions 0**

Scorers: Cozzella 37th, Lujic 50th.

Venue: Schintler Reserve.

Referee: C. Bambridge 6.

**FOOTSCRAY JUST**: Boland 6, Haszent 6, Kyriakoulias 7,

Kandoris 6, O'Reilly 6; Ka-

kontonis 6, Jovanovic 8, Milne 7;

7, Ferries 6, Cozzella 6, Lujic 7.

**BRISBANE LIONS**: Lowndes 7,

Oxting 6 (low 31st 6), Her-

mitt 6, Burns 6, Niven 7,

Hogg 7, Wilson 6, McLean 7,

Ferris 6, Williamson 6, Daunt 7.

**Cautions**: Kakantoni, Ha-

zent.

Crowd: 2500 (estimate).

Brisbane Lions may have been lulled into a false sense of security before this game when they read a glowing tribute to the club in the Footscray programme.

Referring to Lions as "Our Best Friend in the Philips League" the article proffered thanks for the transfer of Johan Verweij from Lions to Footscray in June.

"Observing our club's plight to drag itself from the danger of relegation, Lions extended a helping hand — they transferred a capable player, Johan Verweij, for the remainder of the season free of charge," the article said.

"Such a gesture is uncommon in any competition and if the semi professional status of the Philips League is taken into account, it is unheard of. It takes a real and true friend to do it," it added.

Waxing lyrical, it then went on to ask the "Plavi" supporters to give Lions the "best reception they have ever had at an opponent's ground" and then said: "We can assure you that our supporters will be back again for your return to the Cup final and we hope the Cup trophy will adorn your clubrooms."

Certainly a big tribute. One almost expected JUST to hand the two match points over on a silver platter.

But somehow the Footscray players mustn't have read the script, most especially Verweij.

Weij himself, who for some strange reason seemed especially keen to get on the score-sheet.

Although he didn't manage that he did the next best thing, having a hand in both Footscray goals.

The first came at the 37th minute mark when the lanky striker fed a great pass to Zdravko Lujic on the left wing.

Lujic took two men on, then laid a square ball for Bruno Cozzella who had the simple task of planting it into an open net.

Verweij played a more direct contribution in the goal that sealed the win in the 50th minute.

His accurate cross from the right wing and the winger slammed it home through a sea of legs and off the far post.

Lions started the game with the side that finished the match against Heidelberg on Friday but by this time Billy Williamson's reputation as a goal sneak was well and truly known and the Scottish striker was marked tightly by Kyriakoulias and did hardly anything notable.

In fact the only worthwhile move came from midfielder Steve Hogg, one of Gutendorf's former heroes.

Hogg had two shots on target in the first half both of which were turned away at corners and in the second half set up Lions' most dangerous attack with a cross which was missed completely by Dennis Boland and fell into the path of substitute Craig Low. However the long haired winger's shot was cleared off the line by the alert Jim Kondoros who rushed back to cover Boland's only error.

Lujic had another fine game on the left wing and with more accurate finishing could have ended up with a hat trick.

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1.	(1) Sydney City Hakoah	10	4	32	11	7	1	6	20	16	52.27
2.	(2) South Melbourne Hellas	10	2	22	24	10	2	15	16	39.26	
3.	(4)*APIA-Leichhardt	7	5	12	22	10	5	4	17	36.29	
4.	(3) Brisbane City	8	4	22	21	8	3	6	5	12	35.32
5.	(5) Adelaide City Juventus	9	2	42	22	13	4	4	5	20	21.42
6.	(7) Canberra City	6	4	26	17	6	3	5	14	40	31.31
7.	(6) Brisbane Lions	9	4	123	9	1	7	6	15	22	38.31
8.	(8) Newcastle KB United	5	5	24	15	5	3	6	15	24	38.28
9.	(9) Sydney Olympic	7	5	22	16	3	3	8	19	27	42.43
10.	(11) Heidelberg-Alexander	5	4	518	16	5	3	6	27	23	45.39
11.	(10) Wollongong	4	7	320	20	3	5	6	10	17	30.37
12.	(12) Preston Makedonia	7	4	328	12	2	3	9	11	26	39.38
13.	(14) Footscray JUST	7	5	221	13	2	1	11	10	33	31.46
14.	(13)*Marconi-Datuan	6	2	615	19	3	3	7	6	20	21.39
15.	(15) Blacktown City	3	3	816	24	2	5	7	14	22	30.46
16.	(16) West Adelaide Hellas	4	2	714	19	1	1	13	10	34	24.53

\*Match in hand.

**TEAM OF WEEK**

In brackets — number of appearances in this team —

**JAMES (1)**  
(Blacktown)A. McMILLAN (6) PERIN (5) YZENDOORN (4) YANKOS (3)  
(Heidelberg) (Adel C) (Heidelberg) (Heidelberg)JOVANOVIC (2) BUTLER (3) (BULJEVIC (4))  
(Footscray JUST) (APIA) (SM-Hellas)WATSON (7) STAMP (1) CONNER (1)  
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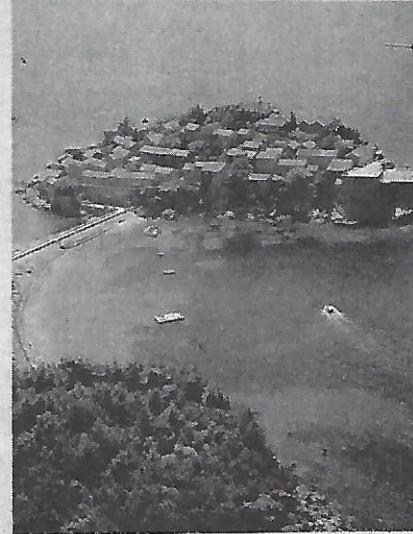
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HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER 3 (Yankos, Seomidis, Cole) BLACKTOWN CITY 1 (Raasmussen) at Olympic Park. Votes by Laurie Schwab:

6. O. Donef (Black), 5. Yankos (H'berg), 4. Yzendoorn (Black), 3. Provan (H'berg), 2. Raasmussen (Black). J. McMullan (H'berg).

H'BERG-ALEXANDER 2 (Taylor, Bozilas) BRISBANE LIONS 2 (Williamson, Dewart) at Olympic Park (mid-week). Votes by Laurie Schwab:

6. Yzendoorn (H'berg), 5. McMullan (H'berg), 4. Williamson (BL), 3. Taylor (H'berg), 2. Wilson (BL), 1. Hermitton (BL).

SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH 1 (Soumese) SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 1 (Woodin) at Sydney Athletic Field. Votes by Tom Anderson:

6. Watson (SC), 5. Buljevic (SM), 4. Soumese (SC), 3. Bannon (SM), 2. Spences (SC), 1. Stevenson (SM).

BRISBANE CITY 1 (Hamilton) PRESTON MAKEDONIA 2 (Lucchesi, Ollerton) at Spencer Park. Votes by Bruce Weddell:

6. Conner (BC), 5. Farrell (Mak), 4. Wilson (Mak), 3. Lucchesi (Mak), 2. Ratcliffe (BC), 1. Hamilton (BC).

MARCONI 0 BLACKTOWN 1 (O'Donnell) at Marconi Stadium (mid-week). Votes by Knut Werner:

6. James (BL), 5. Burrows (BL), 4. Jankovics (M), 3. Milovanovic (BL), 2. Culina (BL), 1. Byrne (M).

FOOTSCRAY JUST 0 (Cozzella, Lujic) BRISBANE LIONS 0 at Schirrle Reserve. Votes by Dick Prendergast:

6. Jovanovic (F), 5. Kyriakoules (F), 4. Wilson (BL), 3. Niven (BL), 2. Milne (F), 1. McLean (BL).

MARCONI 0 APIA 2 (Soper 2) at Marconi Stadium. Votes by Roger Shernick:

6. Butler (APIA), 5. Woodhouse (APIA), 4. Jankovics (BL), 3. Soper (APIA), 2. P. Wilson (APIA), 1. Byrne (Mak).

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (K. Wilson) NEWCASTLE 1 (Stamp) at Pratten Park. Votes by Ted Smithies:

6. Stamp (Newc), 5. Scott (SO), 4. Mason (Newc), 3. Benkaleki (Newc), 2. K. Wilson (SO), 1. Kamens (Newc).

CANBERRA 2 (Valer, Gibson) WOLLONGONG 0 at Bruce Stadium. Votes by Peter Windsor:

6. Byrne (Can), 5. Tredinnick (WV), 4. Moutsopoulos (Can), 3. Dunlevy (WV), 2. Cole (Can), 1. Willis (WV).

ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS 2 (J. Nyschouka, Melia) WEST ADELAIDE CITY HELLAS 1 (Smythe) at Olympia Sports Field. Votes by Frank Pangallo:

6. Perin (AC), 5. Russell (AC), 4. Topaz (WA), 3. Northcote (AC), 2. Dodds (AC), 1. Crook (WA).

9. Hamilton (BL), 8. Mitchell (AC), 6. Wilson (APIA).

67. Bennett (BL), Byrne (Can), 66. Yzendoorn (H'berg).

65. Kyriakoules (Mak).

64. Crook (WA).

Top scorers:

13. Evans (SM), Cole (H'berg).

12. Soper (APIA), Boden (SC).

11. Koussas (SO), Soumese (SC).

10. Kosmina (SC), P. Wilkinson (BC), Ollerton (Mak).

# Women's soccer on the march

By  
POPPY  
ATHANASIADIS

**Once it was "footsie". A giggle of a game played with a round ball and flat heads. But who's laughing now?**

Soccer is cock-a-hoop with confidence and swaggering predictions, while other football codes are getting defensive.

"The No. 1 sport in Australia within two generations," declares former South Melbourne Hellas coach David MacLaren. Other soccer warlords are even more positive.

Says barrister Sam Papasavas, president of Hellas and former chairman of the PSL: "Most of participants we are already abreast of Australian Rules."

True. In Victoria right now almost 100,000 amateurs and professionals are training 3-4 nights a week and playing on Saturdays on Sundays on soccer fields from Broadmeadows to Bulleen.

And the real show of strength is that these participants are not only mature youths and men but also a multitude of juniors and women.

Yes! Women!

Until now women's soccer has existed but few have accepted the fact that "a man's game" can be played by women.

Just as women these days have become liberated so too has soccer to women. Secretary of the Victorian and Australian Women's Soccer Association, Betty Horan, says: "There's a lot more to it than just knocking the ball around. Women love their soccer just as serious as the men do. It is very exciting, very skillful, gets you into the热血 air and one becomes so involved that it becomes a whole life style."

Cathie Currie, director of a girls' soccer programme in America concluded an enthusiastic discussion with an official of the New York City Public School Athletic League by asking him if any of the girls in his school were interested in playing soccer.

"He said, no, thank God we haven't had that problem yet, and he never understood that what he said was offensive," recalled Currie, who has spent the past two years developing soccer teams for New York girls.

Soccer has become the fastest-growing team sport for girls and women in the United States, with an estimated 1,018,000 women playing in 1979 compared to almost none years ago.

In July, 1978, when Currie was appointed coach of the girls' soccer team for New York's Empire State Games, there was no team in existence. With a great deal of difficulty, she found 16 girls who had at least kicked a soccer ball before and took the team to Syracuse for a competition. It lost every match!

## Hughes blasts his players and ASF

Why did coach Wally Hughes resign on the eve of Fiji's World Cup game in New Zealand.

In a brief statement to the Press, Hughes claimed to be disgusted by the haphazard attitude of the Fijian players and officials.

He did not witness the Fijians' subsequent 13-0 hammering, instead retreating to his home in the plush Auckland suburb of Remuera.

Before the shock announcement Hughes fired a salvo at the Australian Soccer Federation—over the treatment his team received across the Tasman in its 10-0 loss two days before the NZ debacle.

The Liverpool-born coach stated that the odds were possibly stacked against Fiji because of the weather.

(A) The game was transferred at the last moment to Melbourne from Brisbane, where the climate would have been more sympathetic to the visitors.

(B) Kick-off time was switched to 8.30 pm thereby adding to the Fijians' discomfort with the cold.

(C) The accommodation originally offered in Melbourne was "diabolical." Hughes claims that he had to find a suitable hotel for the team.

(D) They were not offered a



VICTORIAN WOMEN'S TEAM

When Currie returned from Syracuse she began to organise the girls' programme. There are now between 200 and 250 girls playing on teams, and Currie feels there is almost no limit to the number of teams that she could form in New York if she weren't restricted by lack of funds, coaches and fields.

Although women's soccer in England already was in full swing by 1900, football in France only really started to get under way at the end of the First World War.

In May 1920 the French national side made its way across the Channel to play a series of matches against the "old enemy."

The French visited England the following year, winning three out of four games. In 1922 the Sportive of Paris took out the first French Women's Cup beating Rude Sportive 5-0 in the final. The women's soccer in France began to decline and it was 40 years before women once again took to the park.

Women began playing soccer in the Netherlands about 10 years ago and for the last eight years or so, organised competitions have been held. There are no separate women's clubs but women's teams exist as a part of soccer or sporting clubs. At the moment there are between 750 and 1000 Dutch clubs with affiliated women's teams.

In Europe, women's soccer comes under the umbrella of the men's national associations. England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales have separate organisations but are still answerable to the men's organisation. Both FIFA and UEFA recognise women's soccer in 1971.

National women's teams from England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, Holland, France, Sweden, Denmark, Finland and Switzerland competed in Italy in 1970. The competition was witness to one of the finest exhibitions of women's football seen in Europe when Denmark defeated Italy in the final 2-0.

Patricia Gregory, secretary of the Women's Football Association, feels that the future chances of a women's World Cup will not eventuate until FIFA sees the need for one and is willing for one and is willing to finance it. If the numbers of women playing increase at the rate of the last years FIFA may feel the pressure getting stronger. It also has been suggested to FIFA and the IOC that women's soccer be included in the next Olympics.

The Australian Women's Soccer Association was founded in Sydney in August 1974, when the first ever National State Championships were held. State teams present were NSW, Queensland, Victoria, Tasmania, South Australia and Northern NSW. In 1975 the Northern Territory joined and in 1979 South Australia participated for the first time. 1980 marks the seventh year of the championships and for the first time all states and territories are competing. The inclusion of Tasmania and the Australian Capital Territory makes the competition a truly Australian event.

Championship winners have been NSW in 1974, 76, 77, 79, 80; and WA in 1975, 78.

Australian women's soccer made its international debut at the World Women's Soccer Tournament in 1978 in Taiwan.

It was a disappointing tournament for the Australians as they failed to make the first six after a play off with club sides from Sweden, Austria and a USA under-19 team. Australia finished eighth in the 13 team event. An impressive display of football was shown by club sides from France and Finland in the final.

As a further advance in women's international soccer, it was decided at this tournament that only national sides should compete for the title.

Shona Bass, Andrea Martin and Janette Melvin have represented their state and country. They see three main problems areas for the advancement of women's soccer in Australia: lack of acceptance of women's soccer as a female sport; discrimination from males; and parents refusing to let their daughters participate.

Another problem which all three girls identified was the lack of training and playing facilities. Even equipment was not readily available.

"Many teams just don't get support from the men's senior club to which they are attached and often are at the bottom of the list behind the juniors. Things are made even harder when the side isn't a successful one," said Bass.

"My team has been very fortunate with grounds, facilities and equipment because we have proved to the men's senior team just how successful we can be," she added.

Lack of support has hindered women's soccer. Rather than encourage or aid the sport, the men have preferred to give little or no space at all the women's soccer. Unless of course it can sensationalise things. Take the front page of Melbourne's "Herald" for example. It carried a large banner headline on Wednesday, April 22 this year and a story on three girls from Sydney who were suspended for life for striking a referee. This is the sort of publicity which women's soccer can do without. Until recently the sport wasn't known to exist in Australia or even in Victoria.

Did you know that there are 17 women's teams in the Victorian Women's Soccer Association divided into three divisions?

Did you know that Victoria has a representative side which represents this state at the national championships every year?

Did you know that the Victorian team provides five members of the Australian national squad?

My guess is that few of you know, probably because no-one is willing to tell you. Or give women's soccer a voice.

To make the women's soccer is a bit of a laugh, a kind of a giggle really.

My plan is to give the girls a go. If the male eye didn't make such an issue out of girls playing soccer maybe the sport could gain greater acceptance rather than being ridiculed constantly!

# Billy Williamson, at home down under

By PAUL MOON

Brisbane Lions' newcomer Billy Williamson will not find the Australian soccer scene completely unfamiliar as he has previously teamed up with no fewer than nine prominent PSL personalities during his 12 years of Scottish League experience.

Born in Dunfries, Williamson spent a brief period with local amateur side Kirkconnel before joining Aberdeen in 1969.

Two years later he made his first team debut—as Jim Hermitson's full back partner against Cowdenbeath.

A further couple of seasons passed until a second opportunity presented itself and appearances were spasmodic until the 1974-75 term.

Equally at home in either a full back or attacking midfielder's role, Williamson was an important cog in an Aberdeen side which always seemed to be on the verge of attaining major honours, but invariably fell frustratingly short of the glittering prizes.

Fellow Dons during this period were current expatriots Hermitson, George Campbell, Jim Shirra, Bill Pirie, Ian Gibson, George Murray, Ian Purdie and Eddie Thomson, plus established internationals Bobby Clark, Martin Buchan, Arthur Graham, Joe Harper, Zoltan Varga and Willie Young.

Competition for first team places therefore was intense and Williamson found himself back in the reserves early in the 1976-77 campaign.

Recalled for the Scottish League cup semi-final against Glasgow Rangers, Williamson starred in a remarkable 5-1 win.

At Dundee Williamson took his total number of senior games over the 200 mark.

Even though he has only a handful of PSL games under his belt, the Caledonian has already made a big impression.

Williamson has the ability to transform a merely useful Lions outfit into genuine contenders for the 1982 title.

## JACK MATTHEWS DIES

Newcastle KB United suffered a sad loss with the recent death of Jack Matthews.

A former "Soccer Action" columnist, he was a staunch Newcastle supporter

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## CLUB CLOSE-UP

## BOX HILL



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Under coach Bill Murray, Victorian First Division club Box Hill assembled half a strong playing squad this year, but the push for promotion depised in the second half of the season. Box Hill has placed great emphasis on youth, and 10 of the current first team squad have come through the clubs junior teams. Two Box Hill Juniors - Greg McLeod and Alex Rivero - have won the Weinstein Medal in recent years, and seven players in the squad have represented Victoria at youth level. Box Hill's greatest players include Angus Drennan, Ian McLeod, John Bedford, and Bill Stewart. Box Hill's Wembley Park boasts some of the best facilities in Victoria, and with this sound base the club - one of Victoria's oldest - is set for a bright future.

BACK ROW: Ian McLeod (from Altona City, 1976), Noel Cunido (South Africa, 1977), Donald Brownlie (Duncraig Rovers, 1968), Mark Kreavven (junior), Donovan Jordan (Springvale City, 1981), Greg McLeod (junior), Graham Morgan (Hobsonville, 1977), Craig Haam (Waverley City, 1981), Scott Patterson (junior), Kyle Patterson (junior), Ray Tolmie (Abroath, 1981), Bill Murray (coach).  
Front row: Jim Taylor (team manager), Ian Rockhouse (junior), Ray Taylor (Prahran Slavia, 1972), David Singleton (Sunshine City, 1981), Peter Verechia (junior), Billy Rae (Melbourne, 1980), Pedro Ramon (junior), Craig White (junior), Mike Valentine (junior), Ian Darlington (Swan Hill, 1981), George Takidis (Princes Park, 1975).



# BUFFALO

## DOVES STEAL POINT WITH LATE GOAL

**DOVENTON 3 (Cherrie, Bone, Thurlow). FRANKSTON 3 (Egan, 2, Buchanan).**

**DOVENTON:** Ivanoff, Merrick 6, Corke 6, Hulius 6 (Bone 70th), Porter 6 - McIvor 6, Thurlow 6, Bentley 5 - Irvine 5, Cherrie 7, Guin 6.

**FRANKSTON:** Bent 6 - Goldby 6, Stewart 6, Adams 6, Irvine 6 - Leishley 6, Holford 8, Tuttill 7 - Buchanan 7, Egan 7, Campbell 6 (Burrrows 62nd).

Doveton stole a point from Frankston with an 89th minute goal from midfield Peter Thurlow.

The Baysiders created enough chances to win this game.

Their cause was helped by Doveton right back Ernie Merrick who 'sold' two goals.

It was Merrick who made the mistake of diving into the tackle against Frankston midfield Graham Tuttill in the 16th



minute. Tuttill went down inside the area, and although Charlie Egan looked casual in his approach to taking the resultant penalty he levelled the scores.

The Doves had hit the lead thanks to a superb drive from Arthur Cherrie, easily Doveton's best forward, although winger Alan Quin had turned young Frankston right back Andy Goldby outside out a few times in the first half.

It was Quin who cut inside from the left at about the 12th minute mark and laid the ball off to Cherrie's path. The Doveton target man hammered a spectacular shot from over the line.

Then Merrick tried to pass back to Lou Ivanoff. The ball stuck in the mud. Egan beat Ivanoff but found himself on a tight angle near the by-line. As Paul Corke and Gary Porter tried to protect their goal Egan calmly cut inside Corke and thumped the ball low into goal from six metres.

It looked like the Baysiders were the winners until Thurlow latched onto a loose ball which should have been cleared by the Frankston defence. Thurlow appeared to toe poke the ball goalward but it flew into the far corner to complete the scoreline.

Tickets have gone on sale for the testimonial dinner dance for long serving George Cross stalwart Norm Maitland.

Maitland was featured recently in "Soccer Action" and is in his 10th season with the Cross.

The club hopes to see many former team mates of its faithful defender present at the dinner.

The night to commemorate Maitland's service is on October 10 at the George Cross clubrooms, 208 Albion Street, Brunswick starting at 7.30pm. A band and floor show will provide entertainment.

Tickets cost \$14 and enquiries should be made to Charlie Cassar on 386 6488.



## THIS WEEK'S GAMES

**METROPOLITAN CUP, Saturday: Altona Gate v Melbourne, Nth Dandy v Maribyrnong, Footscray v Fawkner, F.T.G. Ardeer.**

**SUNDAY: St Albans v Nun City, Preston Park Rangers Mornington v Frank Pines, Moreland v Albion Rovers, Praesidians v Leederville, Springfield City's ground, 1 pm; Sandringham 2 v Boronia; Nth Geelong v Caulfield, District League final, 1 pm Fawkner's ground, Sunday: Ros-Batman v Altona Utd; Abbotsford v East Carlton, Central Amateur League final, 3 pm Waverley City's ground, Sunday: Kooyong Rangers v Waverley Utd.**

## BULLEEN'S BEST YEAR YET



Bulleen has completed its best season in the Victorian Provisional League despite a disastrous run during which it lost nine players through injury.

Before the injuries Bulleen lay in second place with a chance to win the championship, but it dropped to fifth place.

Lawrence Boarotto was top scorer with 13 goals, followed by Vittorio Salvatore with 12.

The team, pictured above, is:

Standing from left: Beppe Boarotto (chairman soccer sub-committee), Lucky Poropat, Angelo Casparini, Carlo Meneguzzi, Meme Dalla Valle, Adrian Benetti, Adriano Spadaro, Carlo Meneguzzi, Robert Pillot, Jock Henderson, Luis Bordin, Renzo Sgarbossa.

Middle row from left: M. Michael, Carlo Brando, Pat Saldine, Carlo graser (captain-trainer), Vittorio Salvatore, Sam Saladino, Ernie Boin, Lawrence Boarotto, Frank Bariletti, Marcello D'Amico (senior coach).

Front: Michael Skeric, Jimmy Papadimitriou, Paul Losita (reserve coach), Emilio Dolzan, Frank Gomano, Paul Cassai, Rudy Biance, Stefan Mason, Joe Amadio, Angelo Boin (equipment manager).

## CROSS pair back? HAKOAH'S REVENGE

### GEORGE CROSS 0 NORTHCOTE 0

**GEORGE CROSS:** Gay 7 - Wilkinson 7 - McCann 6, Morgan 7, Maitland 7, Farmer 5 - Flaherty 5 (Mizzi 60th), Rygiel 6, Papas 7 (T. Kent 75th), G. Bannon 6, Bentleigh 6, Parkdale 6, Northcote 6.

**NORTHCOTE:** Giannopoulos 8 - Nahon 6, Petros 6, Popovic 7, Petrov 7 - Basile 6, Kalfetidis 6, Klaris 6, Fakas 6-Kojic 7, Sahinidis 7.

Paul Gambin and Harry McKinlay missed this clash through injury but both should back for George Cross's top four showdown against Doveton.

Cross used five at the back with Ged Bannon and Bobby Toni up front.

The Northerners played on the break but Milan Kojic and Jim Sahinidis lacked support.

Cross should have won this game in the second half. Just after the interval Brendan Farmer headed over from Brian Flaherty's cross to the post and minutes later Flaherty broke through with only young John Giannopoulos to beat but shot into the side netting.

Northcote came looking for a point to consolidate its State League status and left satisfied with the result.

Cross will struggle against Doveton on Sunday if it repeats the poor finishing it showed against Northcote.

## Sunshine plunges

### RINGWOOD 2 (Greener, Thom pen) SUNSHINE 0

**RINGWOOD:** Fearn 7 - Pasman 5, Brooks 7, Luyten 7, Verniers 6 - O'Callaghan 5, Olson 6, Malt 7 - van Louwerven 6 (McNamee H.T. 6), Greener 7, Thom 7.

**SUNSHINE:** McNamee 8 - Diary 7, Scarf 5, Nelson 6, Taylor 6 - Esposito 5 (Lang H.T. 6), Muszel 5, Ellis 6, McNally 5 - Bain 6, McRoberts 5.

Ringwood's two second half goals plunged Sunshine into third last place in the league and set up a dramatic finish to the relegation battle with one round of matches remaining.

But the Shiners should have gone in two up at the break.

Mike Dixey was on the end of Jimmy McRoberts' first half cross but headed over from six metres out at the far post then McRobert broke through the middle onto Rob Nelson's pass but shot wide as Les Fearn came out to narrow the angle.

Ringwood took off Gary van Louwerven at half time and replaced him with Jimmy McNamara. This gave the Ringwood attack depth with McNamara on the right and Brian Thom on the left.

Jim Greener came off his marker Steve Ellis in the 70th minute and played the ball back to David Dixon. Dixon knocked the ball to McNamara. He played a one-two with Greener who went through to hammer the ball home in off the inside of the upright.

Then a great run by Don Pasman 10 minutes later led to Ringwood's second goal. Pasman played the ball up the right to McNamara and started off toward the Sunshine goal. The ball was switched to the left where Thom crossed over Ellis's head to Pasman. The Ringwood right back charged into the Shiners' area and the recovering Ellis felled him. Thom made sure from the spot.

## METRO LEAGUE CUP

**Bell Park 2 (Pocock 22 min, D'Ortiz 2 min pen).**

**BOX HILL 3 (Valentine 17 min, 108 min, Verechia 37 min).**

**BELL PARK:** SHLTON, Rogerson, Parlin, Mills, Mizzi, Sgambelluri, Nettie, Ortiz 6, Pocock, R. Pocock.

**BOX HILL:** Hearn, McLeod, Gabriele, (Brownhill H.T.) Rae, Krashev, Tomke, Singleton, Valentine, Vassiljev, Taylor, Patterson (Roopnarine 86 min).

The home side adapted early to the difficult conditions, with the ageing but athletic Pocock brothers doing their well known double act, well supported by Micky Banagan, and Box Hill must have considered themselves a little fortunate when somewhat again the run of play took the lead in the 17th minute.

David Singleton won the ball in midfield, and swung a long cross high into the penalty area. Peter Verechia launched himself, and managed a deflection into the path of Mike Valentine closing in from the right, who slotted it past the helpless Shlton from close range.

Bell Park fought back, and their efforts were rewarded in the 22nd minute, when Ortiz left Greg McLeod floundering in the mud as he raced down the left flank, and his inch perfect cross was met at the near post by the flying head of ex-international Ray Pocock and flashed into the back of the net.

The home side continued to have the better of the play, and keeper Craig Hearn, was called upon to make a number of well judged saves. Coupled with good work by young defenders John Gabriele, and Mark Krsevan, who were both

making their first team debut, and the cool head of the experienced Billy Rae, the visitors managed to keep their intact.

In the 37th minute with the older Bell Park side starting to tire, Box Hill regained the lead. Ray Tolmie found Valentine wide on the right, but the winger's cross looked to be too long. Ray Taylor however had other ideas. Rising majestically well beyond the far post, he beat the keeper into the danger area, and Verechia coolly beat the keeper with an unchallenged header.

The home side equalised for the second time in the match when, David Singleton who had put in a power of work in unaccountably handled in the area, and Ortiz rifled home from the spot in the 72nd minute.

So the game went to extra time, and both looked as if penalties were going to have to be resorted to. Don Brownlie intercepted a long clearance and hammered a brilliant 40 metre pass to unmarked Valentine, wide on the right. With only the keeper to beat, the elusive winger raced into the penalty area and angled his drive past Shlton from 15 metres into the corner of the net to sew it up once and for all.

**Qantas tournament**

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**ALL STARS 5 FRANKSTON PINES SELECT 5 Monterey Boulevard, MATCH RATINGS 10.**

Referee: Gaut 0.

**ALL STARS:** Roger Stuchbury, Owen, Baker, Fozard, Scott, Howard, Dobbing, Bennett, McFarlane, Campbell.

**PINES:** Ferris, Paulding, McKay, Loughrane, Woodward, Randell, Anderson, Watson, Heath, Bonar, Brennan, Mullolland.

Referee: Mick Gaut, affectionately known as Clark Kent, was atrocious.

Not only did he completely ignore the of-

side rule but he continually confused and disoriented players. In fact I became disorientated from the sideline.

What was this game all about?

First of all someone told me that the score was 5-5. Then I watched as two team officials ran onto the field and tipped a bucket of water over referee Gaut. Then a stretcher appeared but the injured player was dragged off through the mud. The stretcher was used for someone else.

Is this really soccer?

What's happening here?

I learned in the clubrooms after that the

game was organised to provide funds for a local hospital and it really wasn't all that serious a contest.

I think I realised that early on. About the 20 minute mark when someone received the ball, stopped it, took two steps back then ran up and kicked it. I don't know if the player concerned kicked the ball in the right direction but there was no questioning the direction of Frankston Pines' committee which organised the charity match in order to maintain its club's fine standing in the local community. — CRAIG MACKENZIE

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## Juve or Sunshine for big drop?

Croydon should beat Juventus at Croydon Park on Sunday and send the black and whites tumbling out of the State League for the first time since 1958.

Juventus is staging a magnificent last ditch battle to preserve its State League status but I fear that its efforts are doomed to failure.

Facing Croydon at Croydon Park is a stiff task for any Victorian side. Just ask 1981 State League champion Ajax or runner-up Croatia. Both fell victim to Croydon so there's no hard to see Juventus winning.

To add to Juve's woes not only must it win but it also must rely upon Hakoah knocking off Sunshine at Chaplin Reserve. The way things are going Juventus' hopes seem forlorn.

I expect the Shiners to grab at least a point from Hakoah.

Should Juve win and Sunshine draw the Shiners' superior goal difference would keep them in State League ranks.

Fabio Incantalo will be back in the Juve line-up after serving a one week suspension but it's the Loughnane boys, Ian and Peter, who should do the most damage in the striking department.

Doveton takes on George Cross at Waratah Reserve and must win to displace the Cross from the top four.

But I'm going for the visitors to grab both points even though Alex McConville should return to the Doveton line-up against his former club.

Apparently the story I wrote last week about McConville, Norman Wilcock and Jim McLaughlin being dropped from the Doveton first team caused quite a stir. I believe that coach Danny McMinimee was hauled before his committee and asked if he had given me the information.

I wonder whose turn it will be this week?



*Victorian State League  
with CRAIG MACKENZIE*

I recall Sunshine and Hakoah playing in one of the late round of matches in last year's State League with the Shinners battling to avoid relegation.

Well it's a case of déjà vu at Chaplin Reserve on Sunday. If Nick Lowe is available he's likely to line-up behind twin brothers Steve Ellis and Steve Scerri.

Sunshine coach Dave O'Connor can't afford to give anything away as his side lies only one point above Juventus going into Sunday's all important last round.

Hakoah has nothing to play for while it's a case of life or death for the Shinners. They can't afford to rely on Croydon knocking off Juventus.

Green Gully Ajax should complete its successful championship campaign by beating Altona.

Guus Macleod is hot on the heels of leading State League scorer Ian Loughnane from Croydon and the big Ajax striker has a final chance to grab the lead by getting on the goal trail at Kim Reserve on Sunday.

Altona's Brian Klinpatrick will find Macleod an aggressive experienced opponent. The big man always gets onto the end of balls inside the opposition area and the young Altona stopper looks mismatched against Macleod in the air.

Out wide the position is no better for the locals. Gordon Wallace and Bill Morrey should create many openings for Macleod.

One of the closest fought clashes of the round could be the Olympic Park battle between Croatia and Frankston on Sunday.

I've gone for Croatia because if it wins I win two bottles of scotch from a Frankston official.

One Frankston supporter assured me that Prysde and sweeper Robbie Stewart would be with Croatia in 1982.

And it's anyone's guess as to where Charlie Egan will be playing next year. But I don't think we'll see him at Centenary Park.

Certainly there will be no better midfielder on the park than Carl Holford.

The nuggety Frankston midfielder was a revelation in the mud and slush last weekend. He was the most consistent ball winner, played a part in two of Frankston's goals and gave a tireless display.

Northcote and Ringwood meet at John Cain Reserve on Sunday and have achieved the aims of their respective administrations after returning to the State League scene this year.

Both clubs will compete at this level in 1982. It would be fitting if they draw on Sunday because there's very little between either team.

**CROYDON v Juventus at Croydon Park, Sunday, 3 pm.**

**Sunshine v Hakoah (draw) at Chaplin Reserve, Sun-**

**day, 3 pm.**

**Northcote v Ringwood (draw) at John Cain Reserve,**

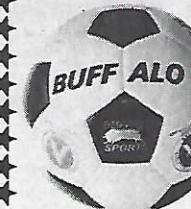
**Sunday, 3 pm.**

**CROATIA v Frankston at Olympic Park, Sunday, 3 pm.**

**Doveton v GEORGE CROSS at Waratah Reserve, Sun-**

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**Altona v AJAX at Kim Reserve, Sunday, 3 pm.**



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## WIN GIVES JUVENTUS NEW HOPE

JUVENTUS 2 (Cunningham, Ham, Heery) CROATIA 1 (Brogan)



Then Ned Batinovic headed over from almost on the goal line.

Juventus took the lead in the 30th minute after a good run by Mendo Ristovski down Juve's left. He crossed into the area to Stuart Cunningham who had stolen in behind the Croatia defence and he headed in from about six metres out.

The game was put out of Croatia's reach in the 65th minute when Tiziano Cavallari took the ball to the by line then crossed over everyone's heads to the incoming Tony Heery to slot in from three metres out.

Croatia's sole reply came from Dave Brogan. Ken Murphy's shot hit a defender and fell for Brogan whose low shot beat the diving Fantoma.

Juve's fortunes, however, may be decided off the field, with the VSL tribunal meets tonight (Wednesday) to discuss Frankston's protest against Juventus' 3-2 win at Centenary Park two weeks ago.

Danny Dezic, recently returned from the Victorian under-16's successful New Zealand tour, almost gave Croatia the lead when he hammered a fierce shot which took Alex Fantoma by surprise but the ball cannoned against the post.

It was the 1981 Black Douglas Cup on Sunday, September 24.

The finalists in the 1981 Black Douglas Cup are Split Auto Repairs and Ansett.

The final will be played at Middle Park on Sunday, September 24, kick off 3 pm, with the Invitation Cup Final as the curtain-raiser kicking off at 1 pm.

The semi-finals were played in fine weather

### TEAM OF THE WEEK

GIANNOPoulos  
(N'cote)

PASMAN (R'wood) GARDINER (Ajax) DONALDSON (Juve) FARMER (G. Cross)

HOLFORD (F'ston) FRENCH (Hakoah) TUTILL (F'ston)

WALLACE (Ajax) TOAL (G. Cross) HEERY (Juve)

STATE LEAGUE						
AJAX	21	16	2	3	44	10
CROATIA	21	11	6	4	39	19
GEORGE CROSS	21	9	7	5	40	24
Doveton	21	6	12	3	27	25
Hakoah	21	6	8	7	27	40
Northcote City	21	7	5	9	32	44
Frankston City	21	7	4	10	33	35
Wilhelmina	21	7	4	10	31	42
Sunshine City	21	7	3	11	25	34
Juve	21	6	4	11	20	36
Altona City	21	2	4	15	22	45

## Can Ajax win all four titles?

AJAX 2 (Macleod 2)  
CROYDON 0

AJAX Denye 7 - Hogben 8, A first half penalty, awarded after Croydon right back Mark Brown brought down Gary Spink was converted by Gus Macleod.

CROYDON: Edwards 7, Brown 6, Pangoh 8, McCombe 8, Hobson 6 (in Spin 70th) - Demirider 6, Wade 7, Smith 6 - P. Loughnane 7, I. Loughnane 6, Bakker 6.

Macleod struck again in the second half. This time Jimmy Spink was the culprit. He had replaced the injured Gary Hobson in the 70th minute and shortly after was on the goal line to stop a Wallace shot which had beaten Croydon keeper Mick Edwards. But Spink took too long to clear and in charged Macleod to rob him and seal Croydon's fate.

A few of the Ajax officials and supporters have understandably got a bit carried away in the euphoria of the past fortnight.

Some of them told me that Ajax was out to become the first club in State League history to win the triple crown.

They were referring to the Ampol Cup, State League championship and Dockerty Cup. All three were won by Croton in 1980.

I would have thought that the triple crown would have encompassed wins in the championship, Dockerty and State League Cups. Anyway Juventus won all three in 1970.

But no team in State League history has scooped the triple crown by winning all four prestigious honours.

So it's two to go for the all-conquering Ajax.

Against Croydon on Sunday Ajax looked to be in control for most of the game.

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